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Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

Melioidosis - Pennsylvania

Melioidosis, a disease rare in Americans except in military personnel returning from foreign travel, recently occurred in a 61-year-old American who returned November 7 from a tour of Southeast Asia. The patient exhibited signs of meningoencephalitis, an unusual clinical presentation of melioidosis, and died after an illness of 4 weeks.

The woman, who had been previously healthy, was admitted to a hospital in late November with progressive right-sided weakness. From October 16 through November 7, she had traveled with her husband on a 22-day group tour of Asia. They had visited Tokyo, Kyoto, Taipei, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Singapore, and Bali, staying in modern hotels in these cities. The woman went on a few bus tours into rural areas but had no direct contact with soil or unpurified water. Eight years previously she had traveled to a seacoast resort in Colombia, South America.

On the last day of her recent tour, she complained of tiredness, headache, and feverishness. During the next 2 weeks her malaise remained, and she developed a cough and an intermittent fever as high as 103 F. Three days before admission she consulted a physician for weakness that developed in her right hand and for increasing temperature. Weakness progressed to involve the right arm, leg, and facial muscles, and she was hospitalized.

On admission she was lethargic, and her speech was slurred. She had a right homonymous hemianopsia and was hemiplegic and hemianesthetic on the right. White blood count was 14,200/mm³ with 81% neutrophilis, 7% bands, and 12% lymphocytes; ESR was 100 mm/hr. Lumbar puncture yielded clear spinal fluid with an opening pressure of 140 mm H₂0, protein of 22 mg%, and glucose of 72 mg%; cell count revealed 14 lymphocytes and 10 neutrophils/ mm³. No organisms were seen on Gram stain, acid fast stain, or India ink preparation of the spinal fluid. Chest X-ray showed a right lower lobe infiltrate. Computerized axial tomography of the brain showed minimal compression of the anterior horn of the left lateral ventricle; brain scan showed increased uptake in the left frontal region. A carotid arteriogram was normal. The clinical diagnosis was meningoencephalitis; multiple cultures were obtained, and penicillin was given, followed by cephalothin and gentamicin. The patient remained febrile and progressed to develop bilateral pyramidal tract and multifocal brain stem and cranial nerve signs. She died on the eighth hospital day. No pathogens were recovered in cultures of blood or spinal fluid. Gram stain of a transtracheal aspirate showed gramnegative rods which on culture yielded *Klebsiella* species and *Escherichia coli*.

On gross inspection at autopsy, multiple purulent nodules were present bilaterally in the lungs and brain. Multiple small abcesses were seen in the microscopic examination of the spleen, liver, and brain. Abundant gram-negative rods were seen on microscopic sections of the brain. The right occipitoparietal cortex was the site of a large area of hemorrhagic, necrotic parenchyma which on culture yielded *Pseudomonas pseudomallei*.

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Editorial Note: Human melioidosis may be manifested in diverse forms causing localized or systemic infection in an acute or chronic course. Infection may occur through inhalation, ingestion, or through wounds, and in the acute systemic illness it may result in disseminated abscesses involving multiple organ systems. Acute presentation with primary pneumonia or an ulcer with associated lymphadenitis are common. Onset of illness may be delayed by months or even years after the initial infection and may be precipitated by events such as surgery and diabetic ketoacidosis (1). Indolent infection may exist in the form of localized or disseminated granulomas with central necrosis. Commonly, persistent pulmonary infiltrates occur which, when cavity formation exists, may lead to confusion with tuberculosis. Therapy with a combination of tetracycline and chloramphenical has been recommended (2).

Melioidosis is endemic and enzootic to Southeast Asia, although cases indigenous to Australia, South and Central America, and the Middle East have been reported. The organism has been isolated from soil and water, and infection usually occurs through contact with these, although

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human-to-human transmission has been reported (3). All but a few cases among residents of the United States have been associated with foreign travel; in recent years, military personnel returning from Southeast Asia have comprised the majority of cases. A 9% rate of subclinical illness has been detected in this group by serosurvey (4).

Physicians treating patients with a history of travel to Southeast Asia as long ago as several years should bear in mind the range of clinical forms of melioidosis.

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International Notes

Terminology of Hepatitis Viruses and Antigens

Intensive efforts in all parts of the world are leading to a better understanding of the viruses of hepatitis and the antigens associated with them. The World Health Organization Expert Committee on Viral Hepatitis has suggested modifications in nomenclature which take into account recent findings from many laboratories.*

Hepatitis B Virus:

HBV Hepatitis B virus. A 42 nm double-shelled virus, originally known as the Dane particle.

HBsAg Hepatitis B surface antigen. The hepatitis B antigen found on the surface of the virus and

*The full report of the Expert Committee on Viral Hepatitis, which took place in Geneva October 11-16,is to be published.

on the accompanying unattached 22 nm spherical particles and the tubular forms.

HBcAg Hepatitis B core antigen. The hepatitis B antigen found within the core of the virus.

HBeAg The e antigen which is closely associated with hepatitis B infection.

Anti-HBs Antibody to hepatitis B surface antigen.

Anti-HBc Antibody to hepatitis B core antigen.

Anti-HBe Antibody to the *e* antigen.

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Table I. Summary—Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States

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DISEASE	January 1, 1977	December 27, 1975	MEDIAN 1971-1975	January 1, 1977	December 27, 1975	MEDIAN 1971-1975
Aseptic meningitis	45	30	65	3,210	4,088	4,281
Brucellosis	6	6	11	282	263	193
Chickenpox	3,523	3,160		177,581	143,096	
Diphtheria	2	_ (c)	6	146	277	224
Primary	8	54	37	1,359	2,633	1,525
Encephalitis Post Infectious	2	4	4	257	301	280
(Type B	271	187	211	14,682	11.877	8,879
Hepatitis, Viral Type A	546	492	865	32,901	34,599	52,091
Type unspecified	138	121	1	8,362	8,340	,
Aalaria	6	2	5	451	415	415
fleasies (rubeola)	571	222	242	39,585	24,072	26,718
Meningococcal infections, total	41	16	19	1,534	1,414	1,355
Civilian	41	15	18	1,522	1,385	1,334
Military	Marie Inc.	1.50	Market and	12	29	29
Aumps	330	993	1.056	37,743	58,406	69,456
Pertussis	15	22	COM HOST CONTRACTOR	927	1,565	
Rubella (German measles)	115	114	126	12.090	16,210	25,169
Tetanus	1		4	68	93	96
uberculosis	591	537		32,549	33.003	
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Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. spotted fever)	5	2	m (7.12	892	811	638
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Syphilis, primary and secondary (Civilian	307	292	CE man water	23,499	25,392	unt so the
Rabies in animals	6	2		340	344	
Jadies III animais	39	33	49	2 .887	2,351	3,301

Table II. Notifiable Diseases of Low Frequency: United States CUM. CUM. 9 2 Poliomyelitis, total: 8 Botulism: Calif. 1 29 Paralytic: Congenital rubella syndrome: *Calif. 2 27 Psittacosis: *Mass. 71 Leprosy: Tex. 1, Calif. 1, Hawaii 3... 134 Rabies in man: 89 Trichinosis: "Mass. 5 Leptospirosis: Fla. 1. Ala. 2, La. 1, Calif. 1 48 50

^{*}Delayed Reports: Cong. Rub. Syn. Wisc. 1; Psittacosis: Fla. 3; Trichinosis: Pa. 6

Table III

Cases of Specified Notifiable Diseases: United States Weeks Ending January 1, 1977 and December 27, 1975 - 52nd Week

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NN: Not notifiable
*Delayed reports: Asep. Meng.: Wisc. add 1, Mo. add 1, Fla. delete 1; Chickenpox: Calif. add 2, Guam add 2; Enceph., post: Fla. delete 1; Hep B: Fla, delete 2; Hep A: Fla. delete 1, Okla. add 1, Ariz. delete 1, Alas. add 304; Hep. unsp.: Mo. add 1, Okla. delete 1; Malaria: Pa. add 1

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UNITED STATES	571	39,585	24,072	41	1,534	1,414	330	37,743	15	115	12,090	68
NEW ENGLAND	27	531 10	357 16	_	73	81 7	20	1,639 128	<u>-</u>	12	360 16	2
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New Hampshire Vermont	25	169	75	_	6	ż	_	48	_	_	6	_
Massachusetts		40	111	2.5	24	28	_	184	_	9	186	1
Rhode Island	_	15	3	-	8	7	3	505	_	-	7	-
Connecticut	2	288	129	-	29	33	17	745	-	2	133	1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	93	7,507	2,324	8	231	144	42	3,380	8	13	2,369	10
Upstate New York	24	2,996	1.056	5	91	47	22	457	6	7	634	4
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Illinois	63	2,032	1,865		20	27	22	1,964	1	ź	1,235	_
Michigan	29	6,139	3,219	111 -	65	76	62	5,507	27 -	13	1,513	3
Wisconsin	44	4,147	1,504	-	12	23	27	4,199	-	9	507	-
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Kansas	35	745	2,147	1	15	11	28	1, 186		1	262	
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Maryland	-	715	64	-	26	35	3	718	_	-	3	4
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Georgia	-	4	40	2	35	18	-	3	_	-	2	_
Florida*	-	323	105	1	88	94	5	355	-	-	60	6
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	21	992	377	2	143	186	31	3,155		5	436	10
Kentucky	761	760	158		24	77	2	989	-	-	193	2
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PACIFIC	32	2,908	5,781	10	2 3 2	164	31	3, 283	4	6	1,298	8
Washington	2	364	300	1	37	23	14	943	- T- 1	2	239	1
Oregon		175	199	1	21	12	3	422	U 1/45	-	141	1
California	30	2,352	5,217	7	147	118	14	1,838	4	4	895	6
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Guam*	3	16 493	3 9 74 4	- 7	1 4	3	3	24 777	. 3	1	15	7
Virgin Islands	NA	17	8	_	2	2	NA	61	NA	NA	12	2

NA: Not available *Delayed reports: Measles: N.J. add 3, Iowa add 60; Men. Inf.: Mo. delete 1, Fla. delete 1; Mumps: Guam add 2; Rubella: N.J. add 6

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REPORTING AREA			HEIVIIA	1.		(RN	MSF)		GONORRHEA		SY	PHILIS (Pri.		ANIMA
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UNITED STATES	591	32,549	146	4	384	5	892	13,386	996,468	992,483	307	23,499	25,392	2,88
NEW ENGLAND	43	1,150	1	-	26		9	466 45	28.450	28,029	13	837 22	839 35	7
Maine *	2	76 50			2		_ E	12	2,345 857	2,248 712		10	16	-
New Hampshire Vermont	1	36	-	-	1	-		7	704	707	1	10	7	
Massachusetts	27	675	1	-	16	-	4	201	13,559	13,039	9	611	550	2
Rhode Island	1 8	83 230		_	7	-	2	74 127	2,065 8,920	2,141 9,182	3		23 208	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	73	5,859	3	_	67	3	81	1,586	115,357	113,598	56	3,893	4,603	
Upstate New York	-	945	2	-	9	-	34	174	18,710	20,587	14	257	401	1
New York City	NA	2,192	1		36	-	5	744	50,800	47,016	20	2,407		nd.
New Jersey* Pennsylvania	35 38	1,221 1,501	_	× I,	13 9	3	13 29	352 316	17,929 27,918	17,033 28,962	12	582 647	720 761	3
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	113	4,728	3	_	43		23	1,746	158,227	165,325	18	2,135	2,083	18
Ohio	52	946	ĩ	_	12	-	18	510	39,770	46,102	4	495	517	3
Indiana	9	515	-	-	4	-	-	140	15,590	14,008	4	113	151	2
Illinois	18	1,648	2	-	14	7	- 5	376	53,791	57,880	3	1,175	1,001	2
Michigan *	21 13	1,349 270	. 1	_ =	10	=	5	522 198	34,667 14,409	31,573 15,762	3	240 112	334 80	9
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	39	1,222	36	_	21		28	567	52,512	50,283	6	464	642	72
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lowa	_	116	1	-	1		3		6,372	7,219	-	44	93	1:
Missouri*	13	591	28	-	5	-	15	170	21,015	18,416	1	180	280	
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South Dakota*	3	62 56	1		2			121	4.501	4, 425		45		
Nebraska Kansas*	3	138	3	=	1	77 -	7	83	8,918	7,529	3		125	
SOUTH ATLANTIC	94		16	-	48	1	432		238,854	241,330	95			4
Delaware	2	75		-	-	14.5	1	42	3,380	3,445	-	65	88	
Maryland	11	933	1	_	5		21	482 86	31,554 13,320	29,696	4	515 580	568 679	-
District of Columbia Virginia	3	314 998	8	_	2		100	419	24,701	13,996	28	703	597	
West Virginia	7	272	_	_	5	100	8	36	3,162	3,150	1	23	57	
North Carolina*	24	1,258	3	-	2	1	193	630	35,800	34,642	5	1,171	1,040	1
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Georgia	24 12	869 1,630	2	_	4 19	Italia III	56 3	1,018 452	46,489 57,667	45,238 65,095	17 32			22
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	40	2,783	21	1	16	1	170	1,404	87,717	83,283	15	903	1, 163	13
Kentucky	9	577	î		6	112	40		11,478	10,765	1	121	169	
Tennessee	3	910	20	-	8	1	95	505	35,194	32,916	3			4
Alabama	15 13	820 476		1	1	7	15 20	595 126	24,482 16,563	23, 250 16, 352	11	188 288	270 290	2
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WEST SOUTH CENTRAL Arkansas*	43 8	3,874 484			18		139 21	70	11,949	121,287	14	2,821	2,289 71	15
Louisiana	-	609	3		3	_	-	500	18,346	20,812	13			
Oklahoma	6	378	9	-	1		97	190	12,315	11,963	-	94		1
Texas	29	2,403	10	- 5	9	_	21	-	82,300	75,251	- 5-	2,044	1,595	3 ;
MOUNTAIN	30	929		_	22		4	757 18	39,280	40.271	8	604		19
Montana*	2	52 33			2		1	21	2,019 2,163	2,074	1			-11-1
Wyoming	_	20	1	_		-	_	10	836	974		12		
Colorado	-	148		-	7	-	L	184	10,416	10,930	3	163	102	
New Mexico	8		-	_	2	-	1	131	7,177	7,076	-			
Arizona	13	405		_	9	- :	- 1	199 83	11,463 2,344	10,557	3			
Nevada	-	54 40		Ξ.	-	-	6 2	111	2,862	2,516 4,050				
PACIFIC	116	5,154	12	3	123		6	2,479	151,161	149,077	82	5,110	5,512	4
Washington*	31	431	2	-	5	-	3	NA	12,448	13,428	NA	146	210	
Oregon	2	203	1	-	1			182	10,553	11,265	_			
California	69	3,773		3	111		3	2,158 64	120,544	118,309				3
Hawaii	10	94 653			6			75	3,274	3,679 2,396	-	29 94		
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Guam*	1112	49 375			1 2	_		26	315 2,461	402 2,892				
Virgin Islands	NA	6		NA	-	NA		NA	219	227				

NA: Not available *Delayed reports: TB: Ohio delete 8, Mich. delete 4, Kans. delete 2, N.C. delete 3, Ark. delete 1, Guam add 2; Tularemia: Mo. delete 1; RMSF: N.J. add 1; GC: Me. add 45, Wash. delete 109, Guam add 8, S. Dak. delete 1 mil; Syphilis: Mont. delete 1, Wash. add 8 civ., add 1 mil; An. rabies: S. Dak. add 12

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		A	LL CAUS	ES	1 - 5 -	Pneu- monia	harten Marie			ALL CAUS	ES	-	Pneu- monia
REPORTING AREA	ALL	65 Years and Over	45-64 Years	25-44 Years	Under 1 Year	and Influenza ALL AGES	REPORTING AREA	ALL AGES	65 Years and Ove		25-44 Years	Under 1 Year	and Influen ALL AGES
NEW ENGLAND	727	479	186	23	18	38	SOUTH ATLANTIC	1,029	601	291	62	44	42
Boston, Mass	198	121	59	3	7	13	Atlanta, Ga	83	42	23	13	-	1
Bridgeport, Conn	36	20	14	-	1	2	Baltimore, Md	1 56	86	49	9	8	1
Cambridge, Mass	29	24	3	_	-	4	Charlotte, N. C	83	44	22	7	7	2
Fall River, Mass.	36 73	33 40	3 25	3	4	2	Jacksonville, Fla.	83	60	13	4	4	7
Hartford, Conn.	37	21	14	2	_ []	-	Miami, Fla Norfolk, Va	83	47	31	1	-	4
Lowell, Mass	18	15	2	1	_		Richmond, Va.	31 76	19 42	9 25	- 6	3	1 6
New Bedford, Mass	25	22	2	ī	-	_	Savannah, Ga.	35	23	9	ì	2	5
New Haven, Conn	48	33	10	2	1	2	St. Petersburg, Fla	84	70	10	ī	2	2
Providence, R.I.	59	33	20	2	3	3	Tampa, Fla.	76	47	22	3	2	5
Somerville, Mass	6	1	2	2	-	-	Washington, D. C.	203	102	66	15	12	7
Springfield, Mass.	54	41	8	3	_	4	Wilmington, Del	36	19	12	2	1	1
Waterbury, Conn	33 75	20 55	9 15	1 3	1	3 5							
Worcester, Mass	15	25	15	- 3		,	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL		250	. 72	20	20	20
							Birmingham, Ala	635 83	359 42	173 24	39 7	29 2	29 2
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	2,884	1,862	702	173	74	139	Chattanooga, Tenn	55	38	13	3	1	3
Albany, N. Y	51	30	16	2	_	2	Knoxville, Tenn	45	33	9	ĩ		
Allentown, Pa	26	16	6	2	1	-	Louisville, Ky	107	60	28	7	5	8
Buffalo, N. Y.	107	71	27	6	2	7	Memphis, Tenn	1 57	81	50	9	8	4
Camden, N. J.	31	17	12	1	-	-	Mobile, Ala	42	26	10	3	-	-
Elizabeth, N. J	26 38	16 25	9	1 2	2	2	Montgomery, Ala	44	29	10	3		4
Erie, Pa	60	44	8	2 5	1	1	Nashville, Tenn	1 02	50	29	6	13	8
Newark, N. J	58	32	15	8	3	4							
New York City, N. Y	1,513	981	348	100	38	60	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	1,013	580	289	59	43	24
Paterson, N. J.	40	23	8	4	3	3	Austin, Tex.	44	27	12	2	-	5
Philadelphia, Pa	296	190	75	18	6	24	Baton Rouge, La	45	27	11	4	2	í
Pittsburgh, Pa	213	123	70	12	7	16	Corpus Christi, Tex.	19	9	8	2	_	_
Reading, Pa	39	25	11	2	-	-	Dallas, Tex	171	95	45	13	10	6
Rochester, N. Y.	129	89	33	2	3	14	El Paso, Tex.	54	32	19	2	-	3
Schenectady, N. Y	35	26	7	1	-	-	Fort Worth, Tex.	72	44	23	3	1	- 7
Scranton, Pa.	47	38	7	1	1	-	Houston, Tex.	205	111	71	13	3	3
Syracuse, N. Y	97 34	59 25	23	4	6	1 2	Little Rock, Ark New Orleans, La	52	29	15	4	4	
Trenton, N. J Utica, N. Y	19	15	3	1	_	1	San Antonio, Tex	1 51	72	45	9	17	1
Yonkers, N. Y	25	17	6	î	1	2	Shreveport, La	99 39	59 30	22 7	6	5	4
							Tulsa, Okla	62	45	- 11	1	-	1
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	2,298	1,354	631	165	58	51							
Akran, Ohio	48	26	16	2	3	A 7 - 1	MOUNTAIN	5 5 8	340	143	29	25	24
Canton, Ohio	53	29	19	2	-	2	Albuquerque, N. Mex	55	25	19	4	3	6
Chicago, III	594	304	1 77	65	20	5	Colorado Springs, Colo.	29	23	5	-	-	3
Cincinnati, Ohio	110	81	20	4	4	3	Denver, Calo	1 38	91	32	10	-	5
Cleveland, Ohio	146	91	43 35	9	1	3 2	Las Vegas, Nev†	28	14	9	2		1
Columbus, Ohio	135 99	82 62	21	10	1	3	Ogden, Utah	31	13	9	2	4	2
Dayton, Ohio	312	173	84	31	12	5	Phoenix, Ariz Pueblo, Cola	1 25	81	28	5	8	1 5
Evansville, Ind.	50	29	18	2		2	Salt Lake City, Utah	38 50	25 25	11 15	1 3	6	1
Fort Wayne, Ind.	42	20	16	3	3	3	Tucson, Ariz	64	43	15	2	4	
Gary, Ind	27	15	8	-	3	2				• •	•		
Grand Rapids, Mich	69	49	16	1		7							
Indianapolis, Ind.	168	110	39	10	3	2	PACIFIC	1,775	1,119	439	100	58	43
Madison, Wis	22	13	6	3	-	1	Berkeley, Calif	19	17	1	-	-	-
Milwaukee, Wis	109	78	24	2	3	,	Fresno, Calif	54	29	14	5	3	1
Peoria, III	20	15	4	1		-	Glendale, Calif.	43	31	9	3	-	1
Rockford, III	64	22 38	12 20	4	2	3 5	Honolulu, Hawaii	49	25	14	7	2	1
South Bend, Ind.	124	77	34	5	2	3	Long Beach, Calif	114	79	28	4	1	1 2
Youngstown, Ohio	65	40	19	4	_		Los Angeles, Calif Oakland, Calif	577 77	375 50	130	41	16	13
		- 4 77		1111			Pasadena, Calif.	31	29	1	i		1
							Portland, Oreg	158	98	46	7	2	5
VEST NORTH CENTRAL	743	472	174	35	34	23	Sacramento, Calif	60	37	15	3	ĩ	ī
Des Moines, Iowa	53	38	10	2	3		San Diego, Calif	113	65	30	5	6	3
Duluth, Minn.	26	18	6	1	1	1	San Francisco, Calif	176	100	49	12	8	
Kansas City, Kans	33	23	8	-	= =		San Jose, Calif	55	31	16	5	1	2
Kansas City, Mo	150	100	35	7	7	5	Seattle, Wash	1 55	85	45	4	13	3
Lincoln, Nehr	39 97	26 58	7 24	3	1 2	2 3	Spokane, Wash	51	35	13	2	1	- 6
Minneapolis, Minn Omaha, Nebr	53	40	10	7	2	2	racuma, vvasn	43	33	8	-	1	2
St. Louis, Mo.	198	108	56	8	11	4							-
St. Paul, Minn.	61	42	9	2	7	3	TOTAL	11.462	7,166	3.028	685	383	413
Wichita, Kans	33	19	9	3	-	3		11,002	., 100	21020	000	203	413
							Expected Number	12 209	7,598	2.202	768	413	475

^{*}By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths.

[†] Estimate based on average percent of divisional total

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Hepatitis - Continued

Subdeterminants of Hepatitis B Surface Antigen:

HBsAg carries a common determinant a and a number of major subdeterminants, which are coded by the virus genome and not by the host. The subdeterminants can be demonstrated by the developments of "spurs" in immuno-diffusion tests with appropriate reagents. Eight distinct categories and 2 categories of mixed subtypes have been recognized. These consist of various combinations of the subdeterminants d, y, w, and r, and in addition, other variants originally described as being related to the common determinant a, but better designated as variants of the specificity w since they always behave as alleles of r.

TABLE 1. Hepatitis nomenclature

New Nomenclature	Old Nomenclature
ayw1	(a ₁ yw)
ayw2	(a ₂ ¹ yw)
ayw3	(a ₂ ³ yw)
ayw4	(a ₃ yw)
ayr	ayr
adw2	(a 2 dw)
adw4	(a ₃ dw)
adr	adr
adyw	adyw
adyr	adyr

The major subdeterminants behave as though they comprise 2 allelic groups: d and y, on the one hand, and w1, w2, w3, w4, and r on the other.

However, these systems are probably not completely independent, since only 2 of the 4 variants of w (found with y) have been demonstrated with d. The 2 mixed subtype categories are rare and may possibly result from

phenotypic or genotypic mixing of determinants during simultaneous infection with viruses associated with more than 1 subtype of HBsAq.

Other surface antigenic reactivities, such as q, x, f, t, j, n, and g, have also been described. The necessary serological comparisons between these antigenic reactivities have not yet been made.

Subdeterminants of Hepatitis B e Antigen:

Two antigens have been identified which are designated HBeAg/1 and HBeAg/2.

Hepatitis A Virus

HAV Hepatitis A virus is a small virus in the range of 25 to 28 nm possessing cubic symmetry. As with other viruses of this size, empty particles also exist. Both full and empty particles are identified by immune electron microscopy. Other serological tests for hepatitis A virus include complement fixation, immune adherence, hemagglutination, and radioimmunoassay.

Anti-HAV Antibody to hepatitis A virus.

Other Hepatitis Viruses

A newly recognized form of hepatitis has become evident. It is indistinguishable clinically from hepatitis type A or type B infection but is antigenically unrelated to either type. It is now the most common form of hepatitis occurring after blood transfusion in some areas. Secondary cases appear to be uncommon. In addition, sporadic cases of hepatitis occur which are also unrelated to hepatitis A or B viruses. No laboratory tests are as yet available for identifying the agents or antigens associated with this new form of hepatitis.

Reported by the World Health Organization in the Weekly Epidemiological Record 51(48):365-366, 1976.

Current Trends

Results of Screening for Gonorrhea — United States 12-Month period Ending June 30, 1976

In the 12-month period ending June 30, 1976, a total of 9,109,264 specimens were taken from women as part of

gonorrhea screening programs; 393,657 (4.3%) were found to be positive. The table reflects the results of such screen-

Results of Gonorrhea Culture Tests on Females — United States*

July 1975 — June 1976

REPORTING SOURCE	NUMBER TESTED	NUMBER POSITIVE	PERCENT POSITIVE	REPORTING SOURCE	NUMBER Tested	NUMBER Positive	PERCENT POSITIVE
Health Care Providers (Excluding VD Clinics)	8,223,555	225,780	2.7	Health Care Providers (Excluding VD Clinics-Con't.)			14 18 18
Health Department Non-VD Clinic	1,842,571	56,973	3.1				0.00
Family Planning	1,320,750	40,537	3.1	Private Physicians	2,377,977	47,005	2.0
Prenatal, Ob-Gyn	193,603	5,419	2.8				
Cancer Detection	28,204	319	1.1	Private Family Planning Groups	459,206	15,452	1.6
Combinations or Other	300,014	10,698	3.6	and the same of the same of			I RATES
				Group Health Clinics	137,181	2,813	2.1
Public/Private Hospital—Outpatient	1,530,372	64,440	4.2				
Family Planning	217,982	6,590	3.0	Student Health Centers	228,454	3,965	1.7
Prenatal, Ob-Gyn	332,235	10,477	3.2	The state of the s		CAUTINE	10 1
Cancer Detection	21,547	620	2.9	Manpower Training Agencies	15,905	755	4.7
Combinations or Other	958,608	46,753	4.9	A. C.		TOTAL IND	1212
				Industrial Screening	4,214	118	2.8
Public/Private Hospital-Inpatient	67,288	1,889	2.8				-
Obstetric	5,286	136	2.6	Military/Dependents	101,255	2,087	2.1
Gynecologic	891	24	2.7				
Combinations or Other	61,111	1,729	2.8	Correctional or Detention Centers	49,229	2,597	5.3
Community Health Centers	779,798	23,703	3.0	Not Specified	130,105	3,983	3.1
Family Planning	283,868	5,341	1.9				
Prenatal, Ob-Gyn	48,861	1,047	2.1	Venereal Disease Clinics	885,709	167,877	19.0
Cancer Detection	10,772	73	.7				
Combinations or Other	436,297	17,242	4.0	TOTAL (All Clinics)	9,109,264	393,657	4.3

^{*}Excludes Vermont (July-December 1975), Iowa (July-September 1975), Trust Territories (October-December 1975 and April-June 1976), Indianapolis (January-March 1976) and Rhode Island (January-March 1976) Source: CDC 9.124, CDC, Venereal Disease Control Division, Atlanta, Georgia

Gonorrhea - Continued

ing by the types of health care facilities securing the specimen. Although the positivity rates were highest (19.0%) in venereal disease clinics, 90% of all tests were performed in other settings. In these settings culture positivity rates in women ranged from 1.6% among private family planning groups to 5.3% for women in detention centers. Among 2,377,977 women tested by private physicians, cultures from 47,005 (2.0%) were positive.

Provisional data indicate that an additional 3,741,749 women were tested at all types of facilities in July-November 1976, or about 748,000 per month. For this period, the overall positivity rate of cultures from all sources was 4.8%.

Reported by Venereal Disease Control Div, Bur of State Services, CDC.

Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

Follow-up on Guillain-Barré Syndrome — United States

Forty-seven states have reported a total of 571 cases of Guillain-Barré syndrome (GBS) to CDC in the period September 26-December 31, 1976 (Table 2). There have been 291 cases in influenza vaccine recipients (4 of whom received influenza Type B vaccine only) and 261 cases in non-recipients. The vaccine status for 18 cases is unknown. Differential attack rates show a relative risk remaining between 8 to 14 for vaccinees.

The U.S. Public Health Service Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) met at CDC December 29 to review data on neurological complications following influenza vaccine. The Committee concluded that there was an apparent association between influenza vaccination and neurological complication (specifically GBS) but that the extent of the risk of such complications could not yet be determined.

Because of this apparent association and because there is presently no evidence suggesting an imminent influenza epidemic, the ACIP recommended that the moratorium on all influenza vaccination (with monovalent A, monovalent B, and bivalent A vaccines) be continued and that complete data on neurological complications (including GBS) following vaccination be collected. Should surveillance data indicate epidemic influenza, this position would be reconsidered. The ACIP also suggested that CDC prepare a consent form specifically outlining what is known about the risks of neurological complications following influenza vaccination for use by physicians who may wish to immunize high-risk patients after their careful assessment of the risks and benefits.

Reported by National Influenza Immunization Program; Viral Diseases Div. Bur of Epidemiology, CDC.

TABLE 2. Reports of Guillain-Barré syndrome by state and vaccination status, United States, September 26-December 31, 1976.

odkini.	Reported	Vac-	Nonvac-	Receive B Vacci	_		Reported	Vac-	Nonvac-	Receive B Vacci	_
State	Cases	cinated	cinated	Only	Unknown	State	Cases	cinated	cinated	Only	Unknow
Alabama	12	10	2	0	0	Montana	2	2	0	.0	0
Alaska	5	5	0	0	0	Nebraska	5	4	1	0	0
Arizona	- 6	6	0	0	0	New Hampshire	4	2	2	0	0
Arkansas	4	2	2	0	0	New Jersey	29	8	20	1	0
California	63	15	43	0	5	New Mexico	7	2	3	0	2
Colorado	13	. 8	5	0	0	New York	28	11	17	0	0
Connecticut	16	10	6	0	0	North Carolina	10	3	7	0	0
Delaware	1	0	1	0	0	North Dakota	3	3	0	0	0
Florida	20	13	5	2	0	Ohio	25	16	7	0	2
Georgia	14	8	6	0	0	Oklahoma	7	2	5	0	0
Hawaii	3	1	2	0	0	Oregon	10	7	3	0	0
Idaho	3	2	. 1	0	0	Pennsylvania	25	20	2	0	3
Illinois	9	3	6	0	0	Rhode Island	3	2	1	0	0
Indiana	14	4	9	0	10.1	South Carolina	5	0	4	0	1
lowa	10	5	5	0	0	South Dakota	3	3	0	0	0
Kansas	11	8	3	0	0	Tennessee	19	9	10	0	0
Kentucky	12	6	6	0	0	Texas	11	1	9	0	1
Louisiana	4	1	3	0	0	Utah	8	6	2.	0	0
Maryland	18*	14	3	0	0	Vermont	4	3	1	0	0
Massachusetts	10	3	6	1	0	Virginia	15	9	6	0	0
Michigan	26	17	8	0	1	Washington	14	5	9	0	0
Minnesota	18	13	5	0	0	Wisconsin	22	12	8	0	2
Mississippi	10	1	9	0	0	Wyoming	1	0	1	0	. 0
Missouri	9	2	7	0	0	Total	571	287	261	4	18

^{*}Includes 1 case vaccinated with 1975-1976 vaccine formulation

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